PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners November 22, 2004

1101 Oberlin Road Raleigh, NC 27605

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Norwood G. Clark, Jr., CPA, President (via telephone); Leonard W. Jones, CPA, Vice President; Arthur M. Winstead, Jr., CPA, Secretary-Treasurer; O. Charlie Chewning, Jr., CPA; Thurman L. Gause; and Jordan C. Harris, Jr.

STAFF ATTENDING: Robert N. Brooks, Executive Director; J. Michael Barham, CPA, Deputy Director; Lisa R. Hearne, Manager-Communications; Ann J. Hinkle, Manager-Professional Standards; Buck Winslow, Manager-Licensing; and Noel L. Allen, Legal Counsel.

GUESTS: James T. Ahler, Executive Director, NCACPA; Florence Black, President-Elect, NCSA; Sharon Bryson, Deputy Director, NCACPA; Tom Chenoweth, CPA, Highland Publishing Company; and Curt Lee, Past President, NCSA.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Jones called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 25, 2004, meeting were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY ITEMS: The financial statements for October 2004 were accepted as submitted.

Messrs. Chewning and Harris moved to approve the revised Cash Management Plan, the Statement of Investment Policy, and the Bank Reconciliation Policy from the Accounting Manual. Motion passed.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ITEMS: Messrs. Winstead and Chewning moved to approve the revised response to the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) Exposure Draft on changes to *Guidance on GAGAS Requirements for Continuing Professional Education*. Motion passed.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE: Mr. Jones moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

200406-022 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Warning.

200407-027 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Warning.

2001909-038 - Jeffrey W. Morgan - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix I).

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Harris moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

Original Certificate Applications - The following were approved:

Saidu Alfred Adam-Samura Elizabeth Gunyan Allison Deborah Maxine Alston

R. Scott Apple Cory Barwick Isaac John Bradley Carla Kothera Brannon

Sarah S. Brokaw Alison Odele Burr

Jimmy John Christodoulias

Cameron Silver Cooke

Liling Cui

Myra Leistner Davis Kami Laine Doty

Carrie Lynne Dyckman Sandra Spivey Edwards

Lori Ann Frederick Jill Denise Gehling Billy Odell Hampton Jr.

Richard Taylor Hemphill

April Holt Henighan Arthur Thomas High Jr. Stephanie Brockwell Holt

Jana Wilson Hosmer

Daniel William Hudson Shauna Deseree Lindsay

Kathy Lyn Luke Shawn P. Lydon

Margaret Diana Marchell Nicholas Sparling Mathias Katherine Anne Murphree Christina Michelle Murphy

Dana J. Nuber

Christopher Jonathan Oswald

Aimee Laura Poon Stathis Tom Poulos Joey M. Pruitt Jr. Krista Suzanne Ratliff Tammy Lynn Rosenberg Clint Justin Saunders Thomas Mays Scott III

Clint Joshua Stewart
Bryan Lynn Sykes

Katherine Grace Thigpen Robert Ray Thomas Jr. Holly Marie Turner Janine Urbanek

Loni Jayne Williams

Reciprocal Certificate Applications - The following were approved:

Anjali Das Arnold Amy Marcum Bauserman Carrie Scott Gamble Richard A. Kasnick Jr. James Randolph Larkin

Ulrike Theresia Maier Michael Andrew Polak

David A. Seco

Karen Mescher Wisniewski

Jeff Ziliani

Temporary Permits - The following temporary permits were approved by the Executive Director and ratified by the Board:

Francis J. Arkfeld T03116 Faith Hawkins Crump T03117 Jodi Renae Dodgen T03118 Luke J. Estola T03119 Douglas Alan Paddock T03120 Mary Martin White T03121 Ray Hugh Baynard Jr. T03122 Brad Mitchell Bernstein T03123 Lauren G. Harrison T03124 Erich Jonathan Kessel Sr. T03125 Stephen Joseph Krol T03126 James Adam Landis T03127 Linda Carol Maxwell T03128

Reinstatements - The following were approved:

Toni Dedmond Dean #13817 Angela Addis Swartz #19811 Tami Lynn Yoshimoto #30632

Reissuance of New Certificate - Applications for reissuance of new certificate and consent agreements submitted by the following individuals were approved.

James Bailey Jordan #16877 Yukon Micheal Tomisato #24188

Firm Registrations - The following professional corporations, professional limited liability companies, and limited liability partnerships were approved by the Executive Director and ratified by the Board:

John C. Hogan, CPA, PLLC Matthews & Lambert, CPAS, P.A. M. David McKenzie, CPA, PLLC JOSEPH C. OGBURN, PLLC

PRICE & ASSOCIATES, CPA's, PLLC MICHELLE SOSNOWSKI, CPA, PLLC Spivey, Nash & Associates, PLLC Joe Wrenn, CPA, P.C.

CPE Matters – Staff has received information from Melissa Wright (#26521). She indicated on her 2004-2005 renewal that she failed to complete the 2003 CPE by 12/31/03 but did complete it by 6/30/04. However she failed to complete the minimum CPE requirement by 6/30/04. Staff recommended referral to the Professional Standards Committee. The Committee approved staff recommendation.

Examinations - The Committee reviewed and approved the following staff approved applicants to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination:

Marie Antoniette Adriano Russell Glenn Allen Jenny Ballesteros Julie Ann Barefoot Brandy Nicole Bennett William Brian Blanton Amy Catherine Bonnette

Yelena Nikolayevna Boyeva Ashley Lane Brown Britton Misty Dawn Buonsignore Mary Lynne Caldwell Edric Reynolds Carrington IV Robin Nixon Carver Shaun Bradley Cates

John Russell Chirokas Mark Grady Cole Cynthia Day Collie Jamie Marie Collins Marysol Diaz Colon Christopher Charles Conoley Wesley Allen Cook Randy Douglas Crump Joan Ann Cullen Peter Anthony Cuneo Dipak P. Dave Sunita Jagdish Dave Ian Oluwatoyin Davies Leroy Davis Jr Melinda Ruth Davis Eric Fong DeLeon Angela Maria DePoy Angela Collins Dew Kristina Lynn Draudt Kimberly Flake Dudley Misty Matthews Dufur Kellie Rene Earnhardt Nathan Dore Edgerly John Clyde Ellis Jamie Lynn Engel Adam Kyle Ennis Raymond Foti Jr Barbara Wagoner Fuller Jessica Lynn Gastmeyer John Michael Gay Laura Ann Graham Katherine Schmitt Grant Denise W. Green Chemerin Mame Gregg Jennifer Anne Gregory Jennifer Freeman Hackim Julie Suzanne Hager Robert Andrew Hale Cheryl Ann Harrigan Christine Elizabeth Harris Jason Gregg Harris Robert Lane Harris Joseph E. Heatherly

Pamela P. Helton Sarah Scott Henderson Thomas Alan Henrikson Ir Laura Richards Herrin Paula L. Hester Allison Buchanan Hicks Erika Marie Hill Christopher David Holland Richard Anthony Hourigan Jeffrey Ronald Hunt Reece Coleman Hutcherson II Angela Wood Ivey Garrett Smith Jernigan Danielle Smith Job Juna Rachel John Belinda Lynn Johnson Cynthia Dawn Johnson Dallas Clinton Johnson Arnold D. Jones Jr Blessy Joseph Deborah Ann Kassirer Bindu Krishnan William Thorpe Landis Jared Lashley Valerie Holt Leary David Leon Lentz Brennan Leslie Liming Erica Ann Little Ryan Jeremy Love Xiaoran Lu Joseph Byron Maxim Scott Vernon McCain Apryl Wesson McCraw Kimberly Bunce McIlwain Jonathan Alan McSwain Jennifer Lyn Meeks Kimberly Kiser Miller **Bryant Trevor Morrison** Shirley Louise Morton Stephanie Lyn Newberry David Michael O'Brien William Cooper Oglesby III John David Palmer

Casey Harrington Patterson Nichole Middleton Pennell William Ronald Perrault Gilbert Richard Peters III Timothy Paul Pivovarnik Lakisha Rucker Pride Jeannalee Trenace Reynolds-Smith Jon Patrick Rygelski Gina Marie Santore Kendall Grey Scales Erica Jean Schroeder Diane Marie Schwager Christopher Don Seaman Christopher John Sellman David Myron Shiffert Tameeka Monique Shorter Christy Jeanette Sigmon JoAnne Marie Simon Ionathan Blake Smith Sharon Faye Smith Dara Lane Southard Vivian Simone Spencer

Daniel Michael Rhee Spohn

Christopher Hughel Summer Tracy Amelia Sumner Leslie Diane Sutton Michael Edward Szarpa Kelly Gerard Taylor Scott Ian Taylor Els Josee Teunen Joshua Andrew Thomas Debbie Ragan Todd Cindy Peek Tomberlin Kellie Christine Tripp **Gregory Huston Turlington** Stephanie Anne Whaley John Philip Williams David Christopher Willis Iason Lee Wilson Wendi Goodman Woods Yen Chun Wu Lisa Marie Wurtzbacher Matthew Peter Yale Stephanie Ann Young Wen Yu Manfred Ian Zech

Rescind Form of Practice Statements – Jennifer L. Davis (#28524) signed a Form of Practice Statement due to her employment. However, due to a change in the licensee's employment, staff recommended that the statement be rescinded. The Committee approved staff recommendation.

CLOSED SESSION: Messrs. Harris and Gause moved to enter Closed Session with Executive Staff and Legal Counsel to discuss personnel and legal matters. Motion passed.

PUBLIC SESSION: The Board re-entered Public Session to continue with the Agenda.

EXECUTIVE STAFF AND LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT: Messrs. Winstead and Gause moved to approve the 2005 Board meeting calendar. Motion passed.

Messrs. Winstead and Harris moved to approve the *Activity Review* article, "When Is a Financial Presentation a Compilation?" Motion passed with four (4) affirmative and two (2) negative votes.

Messrs. Winstead and Chewning moved to approve the *Activity Review* article, "Financial Certification Language for Accountants, Controllers, and Chief Financial Officers." Motion passed with six (6) affirmative votes and zero (0) negative votes.

Messrs. Chewning and Harris moved to approve the letter from the NC Board of Ethics on Thurman Lee Gause. Motion passed (Appendix II).

ADJOURNMENT: Messrs. Winstead and Chewning moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Attested to by:

Robert N. Brooks
Executive Director

Worwood G. Clark, Jr., CPA

President

NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS CASE #: 200409-038

IN THE MATTER OF: Jeffrey Wayne Morgan, #18878 Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the Board at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to NCGS 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate the following Findings:

- 1. Respondent was the holder of North Carolina certificate number 18878 as a Certified Public Accountant.
- 2. In September of 2004, the Board office received a notarized complaint from a representative of Respondent's former employer alleging that Respondent had misappropriated the sum of \$67,018.98 from his employer's Canadian subsidiary. The Respondent made restitution before this complaint was filed with the Board.
- 3. The Board and Respondent agree that nothing contained in this consent order shall constitute an admission of wrongdoing by the Respondent.
- 4. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Order as written.
 - BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:
- 1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) and Title 21, Chapter 8 of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
- 2. Respondent's actions as set out above constitute violations of NCGS 93-12 (9) and 21 NCAC 8N .0201, .0202, and .0203.

Consent Order - 2 Jeffrey Wayne Morgan

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings under 21 NCAC Chapter 8C, the Board and Respondent agree to the following Order:

1. The Certified Public Accountant certificate issued to Respondent, Jeffrey Wayne Morgan, is hereby permanently revoked.

CONSENTED TO THIS THE 15th DAY OF November 2004.

Respondent

APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 22 DAY OF November 2004

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

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GEORGE F. BASON CHAIRMAN

PERRY Y. NEWSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 27, 2004

The Honorable Michael F. Easley Governor of North Carolina Raleigh, North Carolina 27699

Re:

Evaluation of Statement of Economic Interest filed by

Thurman Lee Gause, N.C. Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners

Dear Governor Easley:

In accordance with Section 5(b) of Executive Order Number One ("the Order"), we have completed our evaluation of the statement of economic interest mentioned above.

We did not find an actual conflict of interest or the potential for conflict of interest.

Mr. Gause is serving as a public member of the North Carolina Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners. He is retired.

Section 7 of the Order mandates that public officials perform their duties in a manner to promote the best interests of the public. Because conflicts of interest may arise while performing their public duties, public officials should not participate in any proceedings in which their impartiality might reasonably be questioned due to their financial, familial, personal, or professional relationship with a participant in the proceeding. A "participant" includes, but is not limited to, employees in the same state agency or business entity as the public official.

We are sending a copy of this letter to the Chairman of the Board with the request that our findings be recorded in the Board's minutes pursuant to Section 6 (c) of the Order.

Sincerely.

Perry Y. Newson

Executive Director

cc: Mr. Thurman Lee Gause Chairman of the Board

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